

# ***Disaster News Release***

Federal Disaster Loans for  
Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of all sizes

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## **SBA TO CLOSE BUTLER COUNTY DISASTER ASSISTANCE OFFICE ON TUESDAY – JULY 22**

***HAMILTON, OH** – SBA will close its temporary disaster assistance office in Hamilton on Tuesday, July 22, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. That means individuals and businesses affected by the severe storms and flooding that occurred between June 13 and 15, 2003, have only a couple days left to get personal help with their SBA disaster loan applications, according to SBA Disaster Area Director Michael C. Allen.*

Allen announced today that the disaster office, located at the Wilson Junior High School, 714 Eaton Avenue in Hamilton, will close at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 22, 2003. Help with SBA disaster loan applications has been available in this area since opening on July 1, 2003.

“We keep our offices open as long as there appears to be a need for SBA to be there. We’ve only seen a handful of people at this location over the past few days. That tells us we’ve probably met the needs of those interested in this assistance,” Allen said.

Allen added, “If you had any damage from the severe storms and flooding in mid June, I hope you’ll come in and personally meet with an SBA loan officer before the office closes. Our loan officer will be glad to answer any questions about the disaster loan program, give you an application, and provide any extra help you may need or want with completing your application.”

“I also want to express my thanks to the Wilson Junior High School for providing space for our disaster assistance office. The many courtesies extended to our staff have been greatly appreciated,” Allen said.

Storm victims that sustained physical damage in the declared counties of Butler, Hamilton, Montgomery, Preble and Warren in the State of Ohio and Dearborn, Franklin and Union in Indiana are eligible to apply for these SBA disaster loans.

After the disaster office closes, applications and program information will remain available by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-359-2227. These telephones are answered Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Physical damage disaster loan applications will not be accepted after the August 25, 2003 deadline.

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*Information about the disaster program is available on SBA’s homepage at [www.sba.gov/disaster](http://www.sba.gov/disaster)*

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